(c) and (d) Shri K.C. Pant, Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission has been nominated to hold political dialogue with all sections of peace loving people of the State of J&K including those who are outside it, in order to promote a vigorous movement towards establishment of peace and tranquility. Though a broad agenda "peace and how it may be attained" and all aspects bearing on this theme have been given, no definite time-frame has been prescribed.

Negotiation with terrorist organisations in J and K

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SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether after declaration of unilateral ceasefire in the Jammu and Kashmir State during recent months the Government have initiated the round of negotiations with the terrorist organisations engaged in violence to follow the path of peace;

(b) if so, the names of the organisations with which negotiations have been initiated in this regard; and

(c) the dates on which these negotiations have been held and the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) No Sir, none of the terrorist outfits came forward for a dialogue even though Government had kept the doors open for Kashmir Organisations currently engaged in militancy in the State but who are desirous of peace.

(b) and (c) Questions do not arise.